

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION1516 NINTH STREET
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**NOTICE OF RECEIPT
PETITION TO AMEND
THE ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION FOR THE
SYCAMORE COGENERATION PROJECT (84-AFC-6C)**

On December 26, 2007, the Sycamore Cogeneration Company (SCC) filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to modify the Sycamore Cogeneration Project. The 300-megawatt project was certified by the Energy Commission in 1986 and began commercial operation in 1988. It provides electrical generation to the grid and process steam to the nearby Chevron oilfields. Chevron supplies process water to the SCC. The facility is located approximately five miles north of the City of Bakersfield, and five miles east of State Route 99 in the Kern River oilfields in Kern County, California.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The proposed modifications in the petition would allow fresh water from the North of the River Municipal Water District (NORMWD) for back-up to the Chevron fresh water supply. Usage would be limited to 30 days per year and only when the quality of the fresh water supplied by Chevron is unacceptable. No off-site pipelines would be required.

ENERGY COMMISSION REVIEW PROCEDURES

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on environmental quality, public health and safety. The review process includes an evaluation of the consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision and if the project, as modified, will remain in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (Title 20, Calif. Code of Regulations, section 1769). Energy Commission staff is currently analyzing the request and will publish an analysis in the next several weeks. A public hearing for the purpose of approving or denying the amendment proposal will subsequently be held at a regularly scheduled Energy Commission business meeting.

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and property owners adjacent to the project site who may want to participate in the amendment process.

The petition is available on the Energy Commission's website at http://www.energy.ca.gov/siting_pre-1999_compliance/index.html. The staff analysis (when published), will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the petition and/or staff's analysis, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact Ron Yasny, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 651-1227, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: ryasny@energy.state.ca.us within 14 days of the date of this notice.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at pao@energy.state.ca.us. If you require special accommodations, please contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146. News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Director, Claudia Chandler, at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

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